Vocational training centres in Rajasthan

1067. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vocational training centres being run with the assistance of the Central Government in Rajasthan and achievements thereof;

(b) whether 100 per cent amount is to be provided by the Central Government for running such centres;

(c) whether any proposal of the State Government is pending for Centre's approval; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the pendency?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) Under the Scheme of Vocational Training in Tribal Areas, 100 per cent central assistance is provided to State Government for running the vocational training centres. Rajasthan was sanctioned three vocational training centres in 1993-94. Thereafter the State Government of Rajasthan was granted funds under the scheme for 3 centres only in 1997-98.

(c) and (d) The State Government had sent proposal for release of grants-in-aid for running vocational training centres during the year 2004-05 and 2005-06 which did not conform to the provisions of the scheme. In addition the utilization certificate in respect of funds released under the scheme to the State Government in 1997-98 was also not submitted. As grants under the scheme are sanctioned only in case of proposals which are received complete in all respects including submission of utilisation certificates for previous releases, the proposals of the State Government were not considered.

Atrocities on tribals

1068. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several tribal homes were destroyed just before implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the number of tribal homes destroyed and cases filed on the complaints of illegal arrest and torture of tribals during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise and the details of action taken against the above atrocities on tribals; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) As per information provided by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, there is no such case reported by the State/UT Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.